

D.T.E. 00-47-A

Petition of the Towns of Aquinnah, Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Chatham, Chilmark, Dennis, Edgartown, Eastham, Falmouth, Harwich, Mashpee, Oak Bluffs, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Tisbury, Truro, West Tisbury, Wellfleet, and Yarmouth, and the counties of Barnstable and Dukes County, acting together as the Cape Light Compact, for review and approval of their Aggregation Plan and Form of Electric Supply Agreement pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 134.

On August 10, 2000, the Department issued an Order approving, in large part, the Cape Light Compact's ("Compact") Aggregation Plan. The Department determined, however, to open a separate investigation limited to the question of whether the Compact, as a municipal aggregator, should be allowed access to Commonwealth Electric Company's bill envelope for the purpose of customer rights notification pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 134(a). D.T.E. 00-47, at 5-6. Interested persons may provide written comments as set forth below. As soon as practicable thereafter, the Department will schedule a procedural conference to address procedural issues such as Commonwealth's pending Petition to Intervene.

The Department will accept written comments through the close of business **Thursday, August 24, 2000**. Comments may not exceed 20 pages. One original and six copies of all comments should be filed with **Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110**. Comments must also be sent to the service list of D.T.E. 00-47.

Commenters must also provide an electronic copy of their comments, by one of two means: (a) e-mail attachment to Kimberly.Tran@state.ma.us using a WordPerfect-Compatible format, naming the document with a ".wpd" suffix and identifying in the e-mail the caption, docket number, party and title of pleading, or (b) on a 3.5" floppy diskette, IBM-compatible format, using a file format compatible with either WordPerfect 8.0, for textual responses, or with Microsoft Excel 5.0 for data/spreadsheet responses. A copy of the comments will be available for public inspection and/or purchase at the Department's offices during business hours. In addition, all comments submitted electronically will be posted on the Department's website at <http://www.magnet.state.ma.us/dpu/>.

A copy of this Notice will be mailed to the service list for D.T.E. 00-47 and will be published in The Boston Globe and in the Cape Cod Times. In addition, a copy of the Notice will be available at the Department's offices located at One South Station, 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 for public inspection during business hours and will be posted on our website, <http://www.magnet.state.ma.us/dpu/>.

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary